

Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of 2002 Biennial Regulatory Review -
Review of the Commission's Broadcast Ownership Rules
and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996,
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking,
MM Docket No. 02-277, (rel. Sept. 23, 2002)

To: The Secretary, FCC Commissioners, and Chief, Media Bureau

I'm writing you to comment on docket No. 02-277, the Biennial review of
FCC' broadcast media ownership rules. I am in favor of retaining our
current media ownership rules. I see no benefit in allowing a few media
conglomerates gaining control of the broadcast industry.

One only has to review deregulation and consolidation in the airline
industry to see what happens when service and diversity of available
airports were cut off in the name of profit cutting. The broadcast
industry has cut back in enough markets now that local news is nowhere to
be found. Furthermore, views are so limited that a thinking person today
gags at the dialogue put before him/her. Let's face it, no matter how
many sources of media are offered, if the content does not reflect the
cultural basis and varied views of the citizenry, it does the country a
disservice.

Allowing our media outlets to merge is not the way to increase a dialogue
within the populace or even offer a semblance of varied entertainment.
Just look at the few entertainment companies we have now and the lack of
good viewing and listening (57 channels and nothing to see). Keep public
interest in the laws and enforce it.

Also, I urge you to hold a public hearing on this matter in Richmond, VA
in February, 2003. And then, take the hearings throughout the country and
let the public participate. If you feel as I do, this may be what you need
for leverage.

Thank you,

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